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Title: MAN VERSUS FISH

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## MAN VERSUS FISH: THE ULTIMATE CONFLICT

Thou might consider  
fishing to be an activity  
designed simply to feed  
thy familty. Daily thou  
takest thy fishing pole  
and trod to the lake in  
hopes of catching thy  
dinner. However, say I,  
fishing is much more!

A fisherman is much like  
a knight, off to conquer  
the terrible dragon.  
Certainly, the terrain is  
familiar, just as the  
knight's homeland is to  
him, but the contest is  
where the real comparison  
lies. While a knight  
carries with him a great  
and powerful sword, and  
fisherman must arm  
himself with a sturdy  
pole. Of course, another  
important weapon for the  
fisherman is his mind. He  
will need a keen sense of  
observation to aid him in  
his struggle against the  
slippery opponents.

The first thing he must  
do is search for a body  
of water where the fish  
are so common that they  
are forced to jump above  
the water simply to have  
room for the others. A  
lake or pond filled with  
fish will provide the wise  
fisherman a better  
opportunity for an  
encounter. And how does  
a fisherman catch his  
prey. Not by sitting idly

by and waiting for them  
to jump into his pail! For  
once the creature grabs  
hold of the bait, the  
fisherman must fight and  
thrash his way, as if  
attacking the very beast,  
itself. Minutes seem to  
turn to hours as the  
warrior battles with his  
fish, until finally, all  
energy spent from both  
sides, the fish is dragged  
unwillingly into the waiting  
bucket. And then, the  
process must begin anew...